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Church, Murray and Kumagae Follow Williams and Johnston in Official Ranking of American Tennis Experts

WILLIAMS TOPS TENNIS RANKING LIST FOR YEAR

Johnston Is Second, While
Church Gets Call Over
Murray.

McLOUGHLIN MISSING FROM FAMED CIRCLE

By DANIEL.

In American lawn tennis for 1916 Richard Norris Williams 2d of Harvard and Philadelphia stands supreme. It was in September that Williams established his leading position on the court by defeating William M. Johnston of San Francisco for the national championship. Yesterday that supremacy was proclaimed officially in the annual ranking list issued by the United States National Lawn Tennis Association.

Williams' position at the head of the ranking comes as a natural and expected sequence of his brilliant work on the turf at Forest Hills. Likewise Johnston's presence in second place is well merited and excites no surprise. The national finalists stood in a class by themselves. However, the personnel of the first ten does not altogether follow the expected and in several cases the placings are rather surprising.

Third position, last year accorded Maurice E. McLoughlin, is occupied by Robert Lindley Murray, who defeated Church at Forest Hills, is placed fourth. The great McLoughlin is not among those rated. His star has not. Had McLoughlin played enough tournament tennis he would have found a position among the leading ten, but the committee believed that his short campaign in the East was not enough of a foundation upon which to base a rating.

On seven ranking lists. The seven successive years McLoughlin had been ranked among the top ten. In the leading position, and the list looks rather strange minus the name of the famed native son. It was in 1909 that McLoughlin first obtained a position among the leaders and he was ranked sixth. The next year saw him in fourth place and then he was second. In 1912 and the two succeeding years he was rated first and last season he fell to third place. Now he is out, and we doubt if he will ever return.

Fifth place in the 1916 ratings is given to Clarence J. Griffin, of Philadelphia. His defeat of Johnston in the final of the National last summer created one of the greatest stir in the history of the game in this country. There will be many to doubt the Oriental's right to so high a ranking, for he was defeated twice by Murray, once by Church, in the national tournament, and by Joseph J. Armstrong of Philadelphia and Watson M. Washburn of New York.

Kumagae is the first foreigner to be rated since 1897, when W. V. Evans, H. A. Nisbet and H. C. Mahony were placed among the first ten. In 1904 M. P. Goodbody of Ireland was rated third.

Behr on Second Ten. Clarence J. Griffin of San Francisco, who with Johnston holds the national doubles title, is ranked sixth, while Washburn is placed seventh and Willis E. Davis of Oklahoma City, Okla., eighth. Armstrong is ninth and Dean Mathey completes the select ten.

The name of Karl Behr, last year fourth in this true found, heading the second ten. The impression will exist with many followers of the game that Behr had played enough to leading ten. Behr was ranked fourth in 1907, his first year on the list. His best position was third in 1914.

Merill Hall of this city, who was rated tenth last year, took the biggest drop of all, for his name will be found among the fourth ten. Dick Harris of Harvard, whose playing seemed to place him higher, is also found in Hall's division. There are numerous other ratings which appear inconsistent, but it is no question that taken as a whole, the work of the ranking committee is meritorious. None except those who attempt such work can have even a semblance of an idea of the difficulties encountered or the arduousness of the task.

Doubles Champions Lead. In ranking the doubles teams the committee gave first place to the champions, Johnston and Griffin. McLoughlin and Ward Dawson, the unsuccessful challengers, are rated second, while Church and Harris are third. The committee also shared fourth position, with Mathey as a partner. Wallace F. Johnson of Philadelphia and Armstrong are rated fifth, and a veteran pair, Fred Alexander and Behr, are found in sixth position. Mathey and Harold A. Throckmorton, W. T. Hayes and H. H. Burdick of Chicago, and Davis and his fellow student from Stanford, H. Van Dyke Johnson, are among the leading ten.

R. Doyle and C. P. Brock, who won the middle Atlantic sectional doubles, are mentioned, while B. Howard Vonell of Fred C. Baggis are relegated to the second ten.

The ranking list was compiled by a few committee members composed of Clinton L. Childs, Harry Seymour, Charles Garland, E. S. Reynolds and J. C. Royan. The list was submitted to the executive committee of the national association at its meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York City, and was approved unanimously. The approval of the association as a whole at the annual meeting here in February is a formality taken for granted. It has never yet been refused.

Make Interesting Suggestions. The report of the ranking committee contains several interesting suggestions. It declares that authority should be given for ranking more than one hundred, as the growth of the game has developed a far greater number of players who deserve ratings. It also states that great differences should be made in deciding just what place should be given to a player who has won a few places on the list.

LAWN TENNIS EXPERTS WHOM THE RANKING COMMITTEE REGARDED AS AMERICA'S LEADING TEN FOR 1916.



ICHIOYA KUMAGAE
Champion of Japan

CLARENCE J. GRIFFIN

DEAN MATHEY

GEORGE M. CHURCH

WILLIS E. DAVIS

JOSEPH J. ARMSTRONG

GIANTS TO PLAY 18 GAMES IN SPRING

Series of Nine With Detroit
Team Features Training
Schedule.

A nine game series with the Detroit Tigers is the feature of the training schedule which the Giants will play next spring as they march northward from their Marlin training camp to New York. The schedule was announced by John B. Foster, secretary, last night. The teams will work their way up through the middle West, and will end their series in Kansas City. The training schedule calls for eighteen games. They follow:

March 3, 4, 5 and 10, Dallas, Tex.; March 17 and 18, Houston, Tex.; March 24 and 25, San Antonio, Tex.; March 31 and April 1, Detroit in Dallas, Tex.; April 2, Detroit in Wichita Falls, Tex.; April 3, Detroit in Oklahoma City, Okla.; April 4, Detroit in Wichita, Kan.; April 6, Detroit in Manhattan, Kan.; April 7 and 8, Detroit in Kansas City, Mo.; April 9, Indianapolis in Indianapolis, Ind. With the exception of the games scheduled for Dallas on March 3 and 4 all of these contests will be played by the regular team.

The Giants rookies will converge in Marlin late in February, and actual training will begin on March 1. The regulars will report about March 5. "P" Way, the former star Yale football player and baseball pitcher, yesterday signed a new contract with the Giants for the 1917 season. Way was signed last season after the end of the college baseball season, and after spending a few weeks on the Polo Grounds "P" was sent to Rochester, where he did fine work.

HAVERFORD NEARER TITLE.

Defeated Penn Soccer Team in
League Tourney, 2 to 1.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9.—The Haverford soccer team defeated the University of Pennsylvania team today, 2 to 1, and thereby prevented the latter from winning the Intercollegiate League championship. It was Pennsylvania's last scheduled game and her first defeat. Haverford will play Harvard at Cambridge next Saturday. Should Haverford lose, Pennsylvania and Princeton will have to play off for the championship, and if Haverford should win then a round robin series between the three teams will be necessary to break the tie.

WOULD PAY \$60,000.

France Willing to Go High for
Walter Johnson's Services.

Squash Tennis Experts Begin Handicap Tourney

Fillmore S. Hyde Makes Fine Showing in First National Competition—J. W. Appel, Jr., Progresses by Sterling Play—Few Defaults.

Few upsets marked the first round play in the annual handicap tournament of the National Squash Tennis Association, held on the Harvard Club courts yesterday. Fewer still were the defaults, only four of the seventy-three original entrants failing to appear as scheduled. The only ranking player who decided he could not keep his appointment was Joshua O. Low, champion of the Squash Club, who defeated his match to Armin W. Riley, leader of the Princeton Club squash experts.

Fillmore S. Hyde, a junior member of local squash circles and latest sensation on the sixth floor of the Harvard Club, was successful in his first tournament match, defeating Robert Abbott of the Yale Club, 15-7, 15-9. Hyde conceded his more experienced opponent four aces on each game, but displayed such aggressiveness and accuracy that Abbott was disposed of handsily.

J. W. Appel, Jr., of the Harvard Club, one of the leading players of the country and winner of the fall tournament, was victorious yesterday and who threatens to add more laurels to his string. Playing from a handicap of minus eight aces against M. C. Holland of the Yale Club, whose allotment is one hand in, Appel won decisively by 15-3, 15-3. Many followers of squash tennis are looking forward to a possible meeting of Appel and Hyde, since the two players depend on smashing strokes for victory. If they do meet there is bound to be action every minute, whichever is successful.

HENIGAN WINS LONG RUN.

Dorchester Distance Star Takes
Ten Mile Race.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 9.—James Henigan of Dorchester today won the ten mile road championship event of the New England Amateur Athletic Union, covering the St. Mary's Catholic Association course in 52 minutes and 4 seconds, said to be a record for the event. Henigan, who recently won the national junior cross-country championship in New York, took an early lead in today's race. He is believed to have completed the distance in 1 minute and 20 seconds faster than he has ever before been covered in New England.

Women's Tennis Ranking Springs Some Surprises

Miss Bjurstedt Placed First,
While Mrs. Raymond Gets
Second Place.

MANY STAR PLAYERS ARE
NOT INCLUDED IN LIST

As announced yesterday the official ranking list of women tennis players for 1916 includes thirty names. At the head of the list stands Miss Molla Bjurstedt, one of Norway, but now of New York, winner of national championships on turf, clay and indoor courts and probably the greatest player who has yet arisen among the fair experts of this country.

Second position was accorded Mrs. Edward Raymond, who as Miss Hazel Hotchkiss held the national championship in 1909 and the following two years. Mrs. Raymond is said to have played better tennis last year on than she did when she won the title. Miss Evelyn Sears of Boston, who was not ranked last year, is found in third position, with Miss Anita Myers of San Francisco fourth. Miss Sara Livingstone of Seattle, Miss Marie Wagner of New York, Miss H. Green of New York, Miss Martha Guthrie of Pittsburgh, Miss Eleanor Sears of Boston, and Mrs. Harger Wallach, national champion in 1905, completing the list of the first ten.

GIRLS PLAY FIELD HOCKEY.

Rosemary Hall Eleven Defeats
Staten Island Team.

The field hockey team from Rosemary Hall, a girls school at Greenwich, Conn., took the field against the Staten Island Ladies' team on the grounds of the Staten Island Cricket and Tennis Club at Livingston yesterday afternoon and the Rosemary Hall girls won, 4 to 2.

WHEELER HARVARD CAPTAIN.

Crimson Left Tackle to Lead Grid-
ders Next Season.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 9.—Walter H. Wheeler, Jr. of Yonkers, N. Y., left tackle on the varsity eleven, was elected captain of the Harvard football team today. He is a member of the 1916 class and prepared for Harvard at Worcester Academy.

Although only 20 years old Wheeler weighs 185 pounds and stands 6 feet 3.

WHEELER HARVARD CAPTAIN.

Official Ranking of Women Tennis Stars

- MISS MOLLA BJURSTEDT, New York.
- MRS. EDWARD RAYMOND, New York.
- MISS EVELYN SEARS, Boston.
- MISS ANITA MYERS, San Francisco.
- MISS SARA LIVINGSTONE, Seattle.
- MISS MARIE WAGNER, New York.
- MRS. H. S. GREEN, New York.
- MISS MARTHA GUTHRIE, Pittsburgh.
- MISS ELEANOR SEARS, Boston.
- MRS. HARGER WALLACH, New York.

Even any rating. Miss Clare Cannel, who was ranked ninth last year, was left out, as she had been disqualified from several competitions. Miss Florence Sutton, who is a cousin of Miss Evelyn, was ranked tenth in 1915.

Many Newcomers Here.

The second ten includes quite a number of newcomers, among them Miss Irving Murphy, the Southern champion; Miss Helen Guillette, the Barnard College player; Miss Florence Ballin, Miss La Kiesel, Miss Margaret Davis, Miss Carrie Neely of Chicago, Miss Margaret Grove, Miss Robert Le Roy, Miss Marion Vanderhoef and Miss Edith Handley. There is a marked scarcity of players from the Pacific coast.

Miss May Sutton Bundy, who is a member of the ranking committee, last year expected to be placed among the first ten. The report was submitted by Mrs. William H. Pond, Mrs. Benjamin F. Baggis is the third member of the committee. In her report Mrs. Pond makes the following statement:

"The ranking committee notes with satisfaction the growing interest shown by the women tennis players as evidenced by the larger number of players entering the tournaments, and in new ideas and suggestions advanced by several of our active players."

Who the Leaders Are.

The ranking list follows. The second and third tens are arranged in alphabetical order and no attempt is made to rate them except as classes:

FIRST TEN.
Miss Molla Bjurstedt, Mrs. Edith Handley, Miss Helen Guillette, Miss Le Roy, Miss Irving Murphy, Miss Carrie Neely, Miss Marion Vanderhoef and Miss Margaret Grove.

SECOND TEN.
Miss Florence Ballin, Miss Margaret Davis, Miss Helen Guillette, Miss Edith Handley, Miss La Kiesel, Mrs. Robert Le Roy, Miss Irving Murphy, Miss Carrie Neely, Miss Marion Vanderhoef and Miss Margaret Grove.

THIRD TEN.
Miss Helen Guillette, Miss Helen Guillette, Mrs. J. Cushing, Mrs. John Hall, Miss Margaret Hires, Miss Mayne McDonald, Mrs. David Mills, Miss Katharine Voorhes, Miss Suzanne White and Mrs. Harger Wallach.

Not ranked for insufficient data:
Mrs. Bickie, Mrs. George Chapman, Mrs. Thomas Bundy, Mrs. Marion Fenn, Mrs. Mary Brown, Mrs. Marshall McLean, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. William Pouch, Mrs. H. Briggs, Mrs. H. S. Green, Mrs. Florence Sutton, Mrs. Frederick Schmitt, Miss Edith Hotch, Mrs. W. H. Wigham and Mrs. Frank Wolfe (a Widely).

KRONEN WINS NATIONAL HILL AND DALE RACE

Kolehmainen Second, Over-
ton Third, in Muddy Run
at Van Cortlandt Park.

TEAM TITLE FOR MILLROSE ATHLETES

By GEORGE B. UNDERWOOD.

In a chilling, petting rain, over a waterlogged course sprinkled with muddy morasses and miniature ponds, J. K. Kronen of the Millrose A. A. crowned himself king of the cross-country runners in the annual senior national hill and dale championship at Van Cortlandt Park yesterday. He ran six miles through mud and water in the cooking time of 32:16.

A hundred yards in the wake of his compatriot came Hannes Kolehmainen, the other Flying Finn, who slowly but surely is drifting back into the Bad Lands, where stalk the shades of the once Greats. Kolehmainen, however, still possessed enough of his old time ability to carry himself home in second place among a field of the fleetest distance runners in the country.

Steadfast Johnny Overton of Yale, "cooked to a turn" as they have it in under path parlance, feeling from exhaustion, staggered across the line in third position, about the same distance behind Kolehmainen as Hannes was in the rear of the winner.

The two-time intercollegiate cross-country champion of America was raced off his feet by the Flying Finns, but the Yaleman can rest content with the fact that he squeezed only to two of the most marvelous running machines in the annals of sport. It was no disgrace to be defeated by such great bounds as the two Finns from far off Finland. The collection gave the hiker and bric-a-brac worthy battle. He was not shaken off until he had expended every ounce of energy and effort.

Fear of Kronen's clamorous followed him so closely that the Millrose A. A. captured the team title with the splendid score of 30 points, the remarkably low total affecting the decisions of the victory won by the protégés of Coach Melvin Sheppard and his assistant, Paul Hegeman.

Mohawk Indians Second.

Second team laurels were won by the Mohawk A. C. The winners of the Cross Arrowed 50 furlong. They captured second place in a hard-fought race of 10 miles from the inside A. C. The Mohawk from Manhattan side Heights had a score of 58. The Yonkers Y. M. C. A., with 68 points, was the only other organization to finish a team.

The Irish American A. C., which generally boasts a great lot of hill and dale, had only one runner, and two of them failed to answer the call to post. The New York A. C. had a full team entered, but the complete Mohawks' team consented to show up and the club was out of the hunt for team laurels.

Thirty-nine of the fifty entrants took the mark of the start of the race and thirty-eight finished. The race was held on the Dutchess A. C. Junior national cross-country champion, who notified Secretary Ruben over the long distance telephone that he was unable to appear. He would start, was among the favorites.

Weather and course conditions were almost as perfect as those which forced the postponement of the first cross-country championships last December. A strong wind came waiting like a foot soldier across the open reaches of the park, and the runners realized that the race was a hard one. The teeth of the gate rode a dripping downpour of rain that flooded the course, made miniature lakes of the valley and turned the hillsides into bog land.

Needed Wet Feet.

"It was just one 'water run' after another," laughingly growled Johnny Overton, who was the only runner to finish a quarter of a mile before he realized what he needed most was wet feet and waders. I looked for a canoe, or even a towboat.

Even the miserable weather conditions couldn't keep several hundred avid fans from the mud and water to the finish. The spectators were in the best of humor, and the run took place. There they had to slog under umbrellas, which sprouted over the field like giant mushrooms. The spectators were in the best of humor, and the run took place. There they had to slog under umbrellas, which sprouted over the field like giant mushrooms.

Overton's intentions were to run a "qual race," which is a "front" race with a long-hauling away, right from the flag line and "dash" taken the "hustle most." But that seemed the idea of every man in the race, and the field shot into a mad dash for position at the gun. The race was a hard one, and the spectators were in the best of humor.

For a matter of a hundred yards or so the runners kept well bunched, but the pack settled down and straightened out as the ascent of hill by the golf links was encountered. George Holden of the Yonkers Y. M. C. A., with Kolehmainen, Overton, Kronen, Charles Poretti and Mike Lavaney, finishing on his flank, led the pack up the sloping hill, past the Hill road on to its upper golf links.

Holden Sets Hot Pace.

Down Mohawk avenue macadam roadway Holden pounded, carrying the pack along at a cracking clip. The Yonkers Y. M. C. A. was trying to run its opponents into the ground. Having squandered a headquarters and heading for the railroad crossing the five leaders remained closely bunched, but back of them the pack was strung out with ragged gaps in the alignment.

Just before the water pump was reached Kolehmainen moved up and felt Holden out with a swift speed burst. George responded with a sprint and Kolehmainen dropped back for another sleigh ride. Then Kronen took his turn at worrying the pacemaker, but after a

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